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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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A MAT, AND PRODUCTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read

--METHOD FOR MAKING A MAT AND RESULTING PRODUCTS--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 4, line 1, replace "one of Claims 1 to 3" with -- Claim 1--.

Claim-5, line 1, replace "one of Claims 1 to 4" with -- Claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, replace one of Claims 1 to 5" with -- Claim 1--.

Claim 7, line 1, replace "one of Claims 1 to 6" with -- Claim 1--.

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